Application Serial No: 10/535,542

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on: May 14, 2007

REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed on May 14, 2007.

Claim 2 is amended editorially. Claim 3 is canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter is added. Claims 8 and 9 are new and track the features of claims 5 and 7.

Claims 1, 2 and 4-9 are pending.

Double Patenting:

Claim 1-7 are rejected under the ground of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-3 and 18 of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 11/391195. The rejection is rendered moot as Applicants respectfully submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested. Applicants do not concede the correctness of the rejection.

§112, Second Paragraph:

Claims 2-7 are rejected as being indefinite. Claim 2 is amended editorially to remove the "halting function" and claim 3 is canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Accordingly, claims 2-7 no longer contain the "halting function" that the present Office Action found indefinite. Withdrawal of this rejection is requested. Applicants do not concede the correctness of this rejection.

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Conclusion:

Applicants respectfully assert claims 1, 2 and 4-9 are now in condition for allowance. If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicants' primary attorney-of record, Douglas P. Mueller (Reg. No. 30,300), at (612) 455-3804.

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